



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GIERE et al.

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For: BARRIER/ORIFICE DESIGN FOR  
IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed November 20, 2003, wherein an objection to the amendment filed November 10, 2003 was set out, namely that a complete listing of all claims was not present, particularly Claim 42. The Notice states that only the section of the document containing the non-compliant provision must be re-submitted in its entirety.

The attached "Amendments to the Claims" section addresses this objection by listing all claims, including Claim 42.

Respectfully submitted,

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